Cementing of road between Mohan to Chauri Ghatti, Uttaranchal

1142. SHRI SURYABHAN PATIL VAHADANE: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the stretch of road between Mohan to Chauri Ghatti *via* Harara and Ghatti to Basot in A1 mora Districts of Uttaranchal has not been cemented for the last thirty years;

(b) if so whether Government have earmarked any scheme under Rural Development Programme for cementing the said road; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The State Government have reported that these roads were sanctioned as katchcha Hill Motor Roads and as such the roads were not metalled except 2 km. of Mohan to Chauri Ghatti road and 1 km. of Ghatti to Basot road, which have been black topped. While there is no proposal for cementing the said roads, proposal for metalling the remaining portions of these roads is under consideration of the Government of Uttaranchal.

Proposal to remove Kurnool and Anantapur Districts from DPAP

1143. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to remove Kurnool and Anantapur districts from the DPAP programme of Government from the next year;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor including the criteria adopted for such a decision;

(c) whether the State Government was consulted in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNA SAHIB M.K. PATIL): (a) There